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FM AMEMBASSY PORT LOUIS

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AMEMBASSY PARIS

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TAGS: MP, IS

SUBJECT: MAURITIAN GOVERNMENT STATEMENT ON MIDDLE EAST

REF: PORT LOUIS 1025 (NOTAL)

1. PRIME MINISTER RAMGOOLAM ON NOVEMBER 9 ISSUED A "CLARIFYIN" STATEMENT ON MIDDLE EAST AT SESSION OF MAURITIUS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY IN WHICH: A) HE REITERATED MAURITIAN SUPPORT FOR UN SECURITY COUNCIL RESOLUTION 242 WHICH CALLED UPON ISRAEL TO WITHDRAW FROM TERRITORIES OCCUPIED BY FORCE; AND B) NOTED GOM ACCEPTANCE OF RELEVANT RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED AT OAU JUNE MEETING AND AT SEPTEMBER NON-ALIGNED CONFERENCE.

2. BY SO CONDEMNING ISRAEL, MAURITIUS PARADOXICALLY WILL NOW APPARENTLY CONTINUE MAINTAIN DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH GOI, WHICH FAVORED BY STRONG ELEMENTS IN BOTH LABOR PARTY AND PMSD, MAJOR PARTNERS IN GOVERNING COALITION OF MAURITIUS.

3. EARLIER LAST WEEK PRESSURES HAD MOUNTED FROM ARAB STATES FOR SEVERANCE OF RELATIONS WITH ISRAEL. THESE PRESSURES HAD BEEN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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EXERTED BOTH THROUGH ARAB CORRESPONDENCE WITH MUSLIM ACTION

COMMITTEE, THIRD POLITICAL PARTY IN GOM COALITION, AND THROUGH VISIT OF EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR (RESIDENT IN DAR ES SALAAM) MOHAMED FOUAD EL BIFEWY. IN ORDER COUNTER THESE ARAB-STATE INTERVENTIONS, MAURITIAN GOVERNMENT EVEN WENT THROUGH MOTIONS OF EXPLORING WHETHER MAURITIAN CONTINGENT (WHAT CONTINGENT?) MIGHT SERVE WITH UN PEACE-KEEPING FORCE IN MIDDLE EAST.

4. COMMENT: SCENARIO HAS THUS DEVELOPED MORE OR LESS ALONG LINES DESCRIBED REFTTEL WITH EXCEPTION THAT ISRAELI AMBASSADOR RAPHAEL, WHO ARRIVED RECENTLY FROM TANANARIVE, IS STILL IN MAURITIUS BUT MAINTAINING LOW PROFILE.

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